

## AN ORDINANCE BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

01-0-0548

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 162, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 162-227 OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES; SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR METHODS OF PAYMENT TO NONCONSENSUAL TOWING SERVICE PROVIDERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has an interest in maintaining the public safety and welfare of all citizens and visitors to the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2001, in Ordinance No. 01-O-0245, the City of Atlanta enacted legislation regulating the fees authorized to be charged by nonconsensual towing service providers.

WHERAS, the City wishes to provide for reasonable methods of payment of such fees, for the safety and welfare of the City's citizens and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. That Chapter 162, Article IV, Section 162-227 be amended to re-designate the current paragraph (b) as paragraph (c), and to insert a new paragraph (b) which shall read as follows:

(b) The fees referred to in paragraph (a) above shall be payable by cash, personal check, debit card, or major credit card, including but not limited to Visa, Mastercard, and American Express, at no additional charge.

<u>Section 2.</u> If it shall be found that any ordinance or parts of any ordinance are in conflict herewith, then those sections contained herein shall be deemed controlling.